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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: JA, OVIP (SCHLESINGER, JAMES R. AND PARTY)

SUBJECT: SCHLESINGER VISIT

REF: (A) TOKYO 13231 AND PREVIOUS, (B) STATE 217138

(C) STATE 214982, (D) STATE 211832

1. REGRET DELAY IN RESPONDING TO REFTELS. EMBASSY BY NOW SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED COPY OF REFTEL (B) WHICH PROVIDED DETAILS ON SCHLESINGER PARTY VISIT TO PRC. OTHER REFTELS DEALT WITH SEPARATE PLANS OF SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY. SCHLESINGER VISIT TO PRC IS ENTIRELY PRIVATE AND WAS ARRANGED WITHOUT DEPARTMENT'S COORDINATION OR GUIDANCE. EDWARD LUTTWAK, WHO IS HANDLING ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS, SAYS PARTY HAS NO REPEAT NO NEED OF EMBASSY ASSISTANCE ON WAY TO PRC; HOWEVER HE EXPRESSED PERSONAL DESIRE TO TALK TO POLITICAL SECTION FOLLOWING RETURN TO TOKYO SEPTEMBER 23. HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAS ALREADY SCHEDULED SOME MEETINGS WITH JAPANESE CONTACTS. LUTTWAK SAID THAT SCHLESINGER'S STAY IN JAPAN IS SO SHORT HE DOUBTED WHETHER FORMER SECDEF WOULD HAVE TIME FOR SCHEDULING THERE.

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2. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR EMBASSY TO EXTEND COURTESIES

NORMALLY ACCORDED A FORMER CABINET MEMBER TO SCHLESINGER

AND DISTINGUISEHD COMPANIONS IN HIS PARTY. SUGGEST
EMBASSY MIGHT CHECK WITH LUTTWAK UPON ARRIVAL RE ANY JAPAN
INTERESTS. SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY BESIDES
SCHLESINGER AND LUTTWAK MAY SEEK EMBASSY ADVISE OR
ASSITANCE ON RETURN TRIP.

3. ITINERARY MENTIONED REFTTEL IS CORRECT. KISSINGER

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